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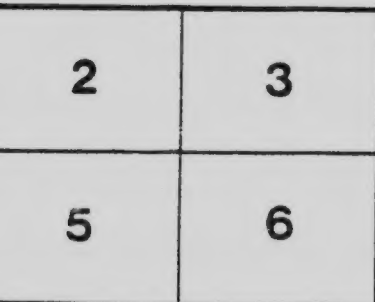
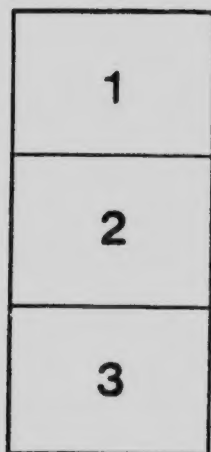
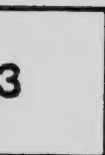
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FIFTY YEARS
WITH
The United Baptist
Missionary
Women
OF
The Maritime Provinces





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HISTORICAL SKETCH

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United Baptist Woman's Missionary Union

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NEW BRUNSWICK

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and Convention**

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"We are Laborers together with God."

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DEDICATION.

To the brave girls past and present, who have given themselves to the up-lift of India's women; to the faithful pioneers who laid foundations broad and deep for past and future achievement, this sketch is lovingly dedicated.

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Oakdene Cottage,
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MRS. C. H. MARTELL

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Historical Sketch of the United Baptist Women's Missionary Union.

1870—1920

FROM the earliest dawn of civilization God has ordained and provided means whereby records of world events may be preserved for the use of succeeding generations. He told ancient Israel that they were to rehearse His marvellous doings among them to their children, and to their children's children. These teachings were to hold first place in their religious and national life, and special distinction was given to their Jubilee year.

Today, as in olden time, no event in life is insignificant, when God's guiding hand can be traced, leading, it maybe, through mystery, into wonderful experiences.

It is certainly most fitting for the United Baptist women of the Maritime Provinces to recognize the leading of God in permitting us to be the Pioneers in Women's Missionary Societies in Canada, and with grateful hearts, we this year celebrate our Golden Jubilee.

It may not be amiss to note briefly a few of the leading movements within the gates of our beloved Canada, illustrating its growth during these fifty years, and our opportunities in this unique age.

In 1870 Canada was only three years old, comprising four Provinces with an area of 540,000 square miles and a population of 3,600,000. She now has nine Provinces and a large unorganized territory embracing half a continent, which stretches from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from the United States border to the Pole, an area of 3,729,665 square miles—one third of the British Empire, with a population of

about 9,000,000, and stands as the chief magnet of old world immigration.

In 1870 free public schools had been in operation but five years. Not one college in Canada was open for the B. A. course to women. Now every Institution of higher education in our land has open doors, according to them equal rights and privileges. In 1870 agricultural products were valued at \$13,000,000, in 1919, about \$1,100,000,000. Mining has grown from \$10,000,000 to \$138,000,000. Manufacturing then had hardly any showing, now the annual production is over \$1,390,000. Wood-pulp, coke, electric lighting, electrical apparatus, automobiles were unknown, now they run into the value of many millions annually. In 1870 the Atlantic Cable had been in use less than two decades, while the wireless wizard, telephone, gramophone, and air-craft were entirely unknown. Truly these fifty years have disclosed enormous potentialities in this land, which are as yet only in their initial stage.

With this incomparable heritage and these immeasurable resources, surely no people in God's universe are better equipped for a response to the challenge coming from non-Christian nations for Evangelism, Christian Education and Medical Missions. As Christian women, this is our day to show ourselves equal to the challenge. The assets of this great country are estimated by their commercial value, but regarding the inestimable assets—our **MEN AND WOMEN, BOYS AND GIRLS**, inadequate are all terms. This we realize in some measure in reviewing the work of the "fathers" in our churches over one hundred years ago, as they with vision from God, set in motion the work that has developed to its many-sided proportions today.

The Baptist women of the Maritime Provinces have a rich heritage in their Pioneer Mothers who, with equal vision laid the foundations of our Women's Missionary operations. Inspired by the tragic and heroic life of the Judsons in Burma, they organized Female Mite Societies for raising funds in aid of Home and Foreign Missions. The initial Missionary Movement began when the oldest Baptist Association in Canada, representing the three Provinces by the sea, with their twenty-five churches and membership of 1,500, met at Chester in 1814. After the preaching of the annual sermon a contribution of £8-13s (\$34.00) was sent to the Auxiliary Bible Society at Halifax, "for the poor heathen." Two Home Missionaries were sent east of Halifax, and later to New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. The first Mite society was organized in Germain Street Baptist Church, St. John, in 1818. Special mention is made of these societies in church letters to the Association, which in return advised that societies be organized in all the churches. To what extent this was followed cannot be fully ascertained from the meagre reports. There were, however, several societies organized in the early "twenties," imparting a truly missionary spirit.

In 1832 the churches appointed a Foreign Mission Board, which in 1845 sent Rev. Richard E. Burpee and his wife to Burma, the first Foreign Missionaries from Canada, receiving appointment from any Board. In 1853 Rev. A. R. R. Crawley was accepted by the Convention as their missionary to Burma, but under existing conditions it was deemed better that he should go under the auspices of the American Baptist Missionary Union. The appointment of Miss Minnie B. DeWolfe to Burma in 1867, was another impetus to the growing interest, especially

when it was known that this esteemed young lady was the pioneer unmarried lady missionary to any foreign field from Canada. At this time Maritime Baptists were not of sufficient strength to maintain an independent Mission field, consequently their funds were transmitted through the American Baptist Missionary Union, for the support of their work in Burma, under the supervision of Mr. Crawley.

WOMEN'S MISSIONARY AID SOCIETIES.

In 1870 Miss H. M. Norris, a teacher in Acadia Seminary, a young lady of truly consecrated Christian culture, and endowed with remarkable gifts, became impressed that her life-work must be for Burma's women. No doubt Miss Norris' associations with Rev. A. R. R. Crawley and Mrs. Crawley, who were home on furlough, confirmed her impression. At the end of the year she resigned her position, and applied to the Maritime Baptist Foreign Mission Board for appointment. To her surprise she heard in reply from the Secretary, Rev. Chas. Tupper, D.D., that they barely had sufficient funds for the work under taken, absolutely nothing for any new enterprise.

To this brave girl, undaunted by obstacles, the pillar of cloud was no foe. Trusting implicitly in her Divine Guide, after many unmistakable evidences of His leadership, she determined to start for Burma with no means of support in sight, but with faith to believe that in some way the pillar of cloud would become to her a pillar of light. She secured passage to Boston, to meet the A.B.M. Board personally. On the eve of her departure, a deputation from the Halifax churches, who evidently also had a vision from God, visited her on the steamer. They talked over the perplexing conditions, and strongly advised her to cancel her present engagement, and await developments. "Appeal to the women of our church-

es for your support," said Dr. E. M. Saunders. This was her "pillar of light."

Women's work for women in foreign lands was just then in its initial stage in the United States. In an instant, with a woman's intuition, Maria Norris saw God's leading. Her passage fare was refunded, and the next afternoon, a few kindred spirits met in Mrs. Selden's parlor, Dartmouth, for prayer and supplication. Here the Baptist Woman's Mission Aid Society had birth.



MRS. STEPHEN SELDEN

Again Miss Norris applied to the Foreign Board, this time to be accepted, and was authorized to organize Women's Missionary Aid Societies. Aided by Dr. T. H. Rand, Miss Norris framed a constitution similar to that of the W.F.M.S., New York. Returning to her home in Canso, until the time came to attend Associations and Conventions, Miss Norris organized the first W.M.A.S., June 18, 1870. In two months she filled 41 appointments with different churches, organized 32 societies, visited 7 Sunday Schools, attended 2 Associations and the Convention.

On September 21, 1870, Miss Norris left for Burma, with sufficient funds for her passage and first year's support, followed by the prayers of hundreds

of women throughout these Provinces, who were to have a part in the up-lift of India's women.

Near the close of the year a Central Board was formed in Halifax, consisting of the following names: Mrs. F. Twining, *President*; Mrs. S. Selden, *Secretary*; Mrs. J. McCully, *Treasurer*; Mrs. A. Smith, Mrs. D. Ellis, Mrs. A. W. Clarke.

In St. John a similar Board was organized thus:— Mrs. Pettingell, *President*; Mrs. H. Humphrey, *Secretary*; Mrs. Wm. Allwood, *Treasurer*; Mrs. T. Harley, Mrs. E. C. Cady.

Prince Edward Island transmitted their funds through the Nova Scotia Central Board until 1874, when a Board was organized in Charlottetown as follows:— Mrs. James Desbrisay, *President*; Mrs. James Warren, *Vice-President*; Miss M. Davies, *Secretary*; James Desbrisay, Esq., *Treasurer*. These were the first Women's Foreign Mission Boards in Canada, and so far as we can learn, the first Women's Baptist Foreign Mission Boards in the world, an honor of which we are commendably grateful and proud.

The object of the W. M. A. Societies was to aid the Foreign Mission Board in the prosecution of Mission work. The Central Boards were for the management of the Societies in their respective provinces, and an annual meeting was held Saturday afternoon, during the Maritime Baptist Convention. The sum total contributed the first year was \$1,300.

INDEPENDENT MISSION FIELD. Thus far no independent mission had been undertaken by the Maritime Baptists. As a spirit of enlarged benevolence was aroused in the churches, there was an increasing desire to widen the sphere of our foreign missionary operations. The subject so long under consideration assumed a definite character in 1871

when an independent mission was established, with a view of working among the Karens of Burma and Siam. This vital decision was ratified by Convention in 1873, when the following missionaries were sent to their field of labor:

Rev. Rufus Sanford and wife,
Rev. W. F. Armstrong,
Rev. George Churchill and wife,
Miss Maria Armstrong,
Miss Flora Eaton.

It may be here stated that in 1874 Miss Norris became the wife of Rev. W. F. Armstrong, Miss Eaton the wife of Rev. W. B. Boggs, and Miss Armstrong, the wife of Rev. G. F. Currie, who was under the Ontario Board of Baptist Foreign Missions. It was not until 1875 that a permanent location of a mission field was settled upon. In conjunction with the F. M. Boards of Ontario and Quebec, the Telugu country on the western shore of the Bay of Bengal was chosen as the field of the foreign missionary operations of the Maritime Baptists. Our missionaries, Rev. R. and Mrs. Sanford, Rev. George and Mrs. Churchill, and Rev. W. B. Boggs, who arrived in Burma in 1874, and Mrs. Boggs, were transferred to the Telugu Mission. Failing health had compelled Miss DeWolfe to return to her native country in 1872. As the wife of Rev. J. T. Eaton, she was permitted to work faithfully for the cause of Missions until called to her heavenly home in 1905.



MRS. M. W. WILLIAMS
First President of W. B. M. U., 1881 1889

WOMAN'S BAPTIST MISSIONARY UNION.**1884 - 1906**

The continued growth of the home forces gave rise to visions of expansion, and it became necessary for our wise leaders to plan for future enlargement. After much prayerful consideration extending over three years, the Woman's Baptist Missionary Union was organized in Moncton, August 14, 1884. This was a truly representative body, its members being delegates from the W. M. A. Societies of the Maritime Provinces. It co-ordinated their work

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and secured united action. From the funds contributed by all the Aid Societies it made appropriations for such objects as were adopted by the Foreign Mission Board. The first executive consisted of the following officers, and twenty-four other members: Mrs. M. W. Williams, *President*; Mrs. J. E. Hopper, N.B.; Mrs. J. F. Parsons, N.S., Mrs. A. H. Lavers, P.E.I., *Vice Presidents*; Mrs. John March, *Cor. Sec'y*; Mrs. J. W. Manning, *Treasurer*; Mrs. E. M. Saunders, *Auditor*; Mrs. S. Selden, N.S., Mrs. A. R. Emmerson, N.B., Miss L. A. King, P.E.I., *Provincial Secretaries*.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.**First Division.**

Miss Ada Hooper, Mrs. J. C. Clark, Mrs. Wm Alwood, Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Mrs. J. E. Masters, Mrs. C. H. Martell.

Second Division.

Miss H. Layton, Mrs. A. S. Murray, Miss H. Jones, Mrs. H. Hewitt, Mrs. R. Phillips, Mrs. W. J. Stewart.

Third Division.

Mrs. M. Cowan, Miss Amy Johnstone, Miss Mary Cramp, Mrs. John Harding, Mrs. Allison Smith, Mrs. J. F. Masters.

Fourth Division.

Mrs. Chas. Spurden, Mrs. G. O. Gates, Mrs. Jesse Harding, Mrs. A. W. Sawyer, Miss M. M. Stewart, Mrs. A. F. Randolph.

In 1885 the total number of societies reported was 123, contributing \$3,726,42.

In 1889 Mrs. Williams was compelled to relinquish all her missionary activities, owing to threatening of total blindness, which ultimately came. This was heard with keen sorrow by the Union. Her attractive personality, wide experience, and superior attainments, with her deeply spiritual life, made her service invaluable at this early stage of our work. All who were privileged to be her co-workers will ever regard the life and character of Mrs. Mary Williams a richer legacy than money. Mrs. Williams was succeeded by Mrs. J. W. Manning, and at this time (1889) Mrs. Mary Smith was the successor of Mrs. Manning, who as treasurer, had served the W.B.M.U. for five years.

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2nd President 1889—1906

COUNTY SECRETARIES. Early in our work the Central Boards appointed County Agents, later called County Secretaries, for deputation work, or for presenting W.M.A.S. interests at Quarterly District Meetings, and other gatherings. Soon after this, the District Meeting, in recognition of its added interest, assigned a part to the W.M.A.S. which is yet sustained. Pioneer Secretaries for Nova Scotia were: Mrs. J. F. Kempton, Lunenburg; Mrs. J. T. Eaton, Annapolis; Mrs. P. R. Foster, Shelburne; Mrs. A. C. Martell, Colchester; Mrs. Nalder, Hants; Mrs. Mary Smith, Cumberland. Those for New Brunswick were: Mrs. A. H. Gilmore, Charlotte; Mrs. C. W. Pearce, Queens; Miss Annie Fisher, Carleton; Mrs. R. Phillips, York; Miss Manzer, Victoria; Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Mrs. T. A. Blackadar; and Mrs. Estabrooks, Westmoreland.

MISSION BANDS. From the beginning of the W. M. A. Societies, the importance of interesting and training children and young people has been recognized. Miss Norris awakened a vital interest in missionary work in the Sunday Schools she visited, previous to her leaving for Burma. Efforts were at once made to form Mission Bands, or to have the subject of Missions brought into the Sunday Schools. According to the early reports, a ready response was given, wherever suitable leaders could be procured. The first Mission Bands reported are: "Shining Lights," Prince Street Baptist Church, Truro, 1874; Round Hill, 1875; Great Village, 1876; Temple Church, Yarmouth, 1877; Canning, 1877; Bridgetown, 1881. Through the "eighties" large numbers reported. Brussels Street Baptist Mission Band, the pioneer Band in New Brunswick, was organized in 1880, and has had a unique history. The little girls who then organized are now leaders in the U.B.W.

M.U. or in Mission work in the United States. Main Street Baptist Mission Band, St. John, was formed soon after that of Brussels Street. Fredericton, St. Stephen, Hopewell, Fairville, and Germain Street Bands were among the first. Previous to this, however, many of the Sunday Schools in New Brunswick, as in Nova Scotia, were regularly contributing through the W.M.A. Societies. The growth of the work is marked by the appointment of Mrs. Ida Crandall, Chipman, N.B., as the first Mission Band Treasurer, in 1897. The first appointment of Mission Band Superintendents was made in 1897, when Miss Etta Yuill was appointed for Nova Scotia, Miss Lenora Barton for New Brunswick; and Miss A. E. Jackson, for Prince Edward Island.

HOME MISSIONS. In 1885 an appeal from the Home Mission Board was presented to the Union by Rev. A. W. Sawyer, D.D., Chairman of the Dominion Committee. Many of the sisters were impressed that Home Missions had a just claim on the Union. The subject was enthusiastically discussed, and sixty members pledged themselves to contribute \$1.00 each, per year to Home Missions. A Committee was appointed, consisting of Mrs. John March, Mrs. A. W. Sawyer, and Miss A. E. Johnstone, to make such changes in the Constitu-



MISS A. E. JOHNSTONE
Provincial Secretary 1885—1900

tion as to render the Union a permanent help to the Home Mission Board. A Home Mission Committee was appointed, consisting of the members of Executive residing in Halifax and the Provincial Secretaries, Miss A. E. Johnstone serving as Home Mission Secretary. Since 1901 the Home Mission Committee has been located in various places in Nova Scotia. The first year's receipts for Home Missions were \$258.30. The year following, the Treasurer reported \$481.81, divided thus: Western Canada, \$250.00; Grande Ligne, \$150.00; Maritime Home Missions, \$181.81. The first H. M. contribution by the Union was toward building a church in Regina.

PERIODICALS. In 1877 "The Canadian Missionary Link", published in Toronto, edited by Mrs. Freeland, was introduced to our W. M. A. Societies. The "Link" had a large circulation in the Societies and proved a valuable helper in those days, when missionary literature and news from the fields of action were not so abundant as they now are. The W.B.M.U., Department was ably conducted by Miss A. E. Johnstone, who was succeeded in 1901 by Mrs. Alex. Christie, and later by Mrs. J. C. Redding, each winning merited appreciation.

In 1888 a weekly column in the "Messenger and Visitor" was assigned to the Union, in which to publish letters from our lady missionaries, reports from Societies, and any other articles in the interests of our work. This column was at first under the management of Mrs. John March and Mrs. C. H. Martell. After the first year, Mrs. March had to be released owing to the pressure of other work, the latter conducting the column until 1894, when Mrs. J. W. Manning became Editor of the W.B.M.U. column.

In 1894 "Tidings" came into existence, a small monthly leaflet bearing large messages from ou

lady missionaries and officers, under the joint direction of the Corresponding Secretary and the Treasurer of the Union. Its first evidence of growth was its need of an Editor, resulting in the appointment of Miss Bessie Harding, who most acceptably served until her resignation in 1905.

The first enlargement of "*Tidings*" provided a Mission Band Department, ably conducted by Miss Etta Yuill. Soon the Mission Band studies outgrew the small space *Tidings* afforded, and they appeared in leaflet form for several years.

While the "Missionary Link" was of great value to the W.M.A. Societies, it did not fully meet the needs of our growing interest. Therefore, in 1905 a resolution was passed to unite all the publications of the Union, except the "Maritime Baptist" column, in an enlarged "*Tidings*." Mrs. M. A. Chubbuck was appointed Editor-in-Chief, Mrs. Emma Esty, Mission Band Editor, and Mrs. Nellie Freeman, Business Manager. The following year Mrs. Bessie Ralston became Mrs. Freeman's successor. An increase of about 4,000 subscribers in two years bespeaks the excellent work of these women.

BUREAU OF LITERATURE. — In 1890 a grant of \$50.00 was made towards opening a Bureau of Literature for the purpose of providing Missionary Literature at a minimum cost. Previously through the kindness of Mrs. I. C. Archibald and others, several books on missionary subjects had been given for a Lending Library.

"Retrospects", by Miss Mary Cramp, published in 1892, was a valuable contribution to the literature of the Union. Later appeared "Young People and Missions" by Mrs. J. W. Manning, "An historical sketch of the Telugu Field" by Miss Stella Payson, and other leaflets on missionary subjects by Misses

Newcombe, Harrison, Blackadar and Archibald. This department proved one of the most effective agencies for the prosecution of missionary interests and intelligence, and was efficiently conducted for a longer or shorter period, by the following sisters, Miss Myra J. Black, Mrs. M. S. Harding, Miss Eva McDorman and Miss Lydia Edwards.

CRUSADE DAY was observed for the first time, October 5, 1892, as a day of special effort for bringing new members into the W.M.A. Societies. It is now very generally observed among the societies, often proving a day of inspiration and blessing.

In 1896 it was found that the transaction of business at the Annual Meeting of the W.B.M.U., had outgrown the limited time hitherto devoted to it. For the welfare of the cause a resolution was passed to hold the Annual Meeting on the Wednesday and Thursday preceding Maritime Convention, and at a different place. This timely change proved helpful to the Union. The women's afternoon session in the District Meetings and at each Association, became an established appointment, always proving a strong impetus in the promotion of missionary endeavor.

THE BABY BAND DEPARTMENT, previously carried on as the Cradle Roll, was introduced in 1906, and has filled its splendid mission, as mothers through their children have become interested in the larger work. Truly of this work it can be said, "A little child shall lead them." The Superintendents for this new Department were Mrs. W. E. McIntyre for New Brunswick, and Mrs. C. S. McLearn for Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island.

This year is also remembered by the resignation of Mrs. J. W. Manning, who had served as President of the Woman's Baptist Missionary Union for seventeen years, and had endeared herself to her large staff of

workers by her genial and helpful life. The severance of this tie was most keenly felt by the Union, but was somewhat mitigated by a cherished hope that a less strenuous position would permit Mrs. Manning to devote many more years to the work that had become an integral part of herself. The W.B.M.U. was favored in having among its Vice-Presidents, one especially endowed with gifts of leadership, Mrs. David Hutchinson, who at this time was appointed President of the organization.

In the early years of our women's missionary work, little thought was given to the fact that, beside reaching the annual objective, we also were making history; consequently only meagre reports are obtainable of what was accomplished by faithful County Secretaries, Provincial Secretaries and other officers, who gave unstintingly of their time and means, touring through the Maritime Provinces in the interest of this worthy cause. Modesty in reporting details and fear of printer's ink, may explain why volumes must be read between lines.

The following summary, as reported in July 1906, gives a statement of the HOME BASE., Number of W.M.A. Societies, N.S., 179; N.B., 77; P.E.I. 24; total 280.

Mission Bands, N.S., 115; N.B., 47; P.E.I., 7; total 169.

W.B.M.U. Estimates for 1905-1906.**Foreign Missions**

Miss Harrison's Salary	\$ 500
Miss Newcomb's Salary	500
Miss Archibald's Salary	300
Miss Blackadar's Salary	500
Helpers and Schools.	215
Miss Flora Clark's Salary	500
Helpers and Schools.	130
Miss Martha Clark's Salary.	500
Helpers and Travelling	100
Books and Tracts.	100
Miss Peck's Salary.	500
Teacher	50
Passage to India.	300
Contingent Fund	250
School at Bobbili	150
Hospital at Chicacole.	500
Native Helpers.	500
Passage Home for Lady Missionaries.	600

\$ 6195

Toward Salaries of Male Missionaries 3405

F. M. \$ 9600

Home Missions

North West	\$ 1100
Indian Work.	350
Grande Ligne	500
New Brunswick	475
Nova Scotia and P.E.I.	975

H. M. 3400

Total \$13,000

Treasurer's Report.

Woman's Baptist Missionary Union in account
with Mrs. Mary Smith for year ending July 31st, 1906.

500	1905		
500	July 31—	By balance on hand.	\$2754.60
300		" Amount received from Nova	
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Outstations	20	Reading Rooms	
Churches	8	Male Missionaries	
S. Schools	10	Wives of	"
Day Schools	17	Single lady	"
Boarding Schools			2
Preachers and Evangelists			42
Colporteurs			7
Bible Women			22
Teachers			32
Villages			3,039

During these 3 years of our history, twenty young women were sent to India and supported by the W.B.M.U. Though their work did not always show immediate results, the permanency of its character never failed to beget a spirit of optimism that in due season a bountiful harvest was in store.

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PART II.

Historical Sketch of the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society of New Brunswick.

INTRODUCTION.

As a foundation for this brief sketch let me take you back in the history of the Free Baptist denomination of New Brunswick to the year 1864. While Conference was in session, the United States Free Baptists introduced to our Ministers a young man, Rev. James L. Phillips, M.D., who desired to become a Missionary to India. He was gladly accepted and became the first missionary on the foreign field for whose salary the New Brunswick Conference was entirely responsible.

At this time our people were associated with the Free Baptist Board of the United States occupying the Orissa field in the Presidency of Bengal, which consisted of two districts, Midnapore and Balasore. These districts have a population of about 3,500,000. In Midnapore district, the Bengali language is spoken, in Balasore, the Oriya. Besides these, an aboriginal tribe, the Santals, speak a language called Santali. This language was reduced to writing by Dr. Jeremiah Phillips, father of Dr. James L. Phillips. Elementary text books were prepared and the gospel of Matthew translated into Santali. For this work he received the thanks of the British government.

Dr. James L. Phillips and wife began work at Midnapore. Here, Dr. Phillips became pastor of the native church supervised the work of the native preachers and teachers, while Mrs. Phillips visited

the zenanas, looked after the Bible women and gathered the children into schools. During the cool seasons, they toured the surrounding country telling the story of Jesus, and distributing books and tracts.

While carrying on this work, Dr. Phillips was studying Santali, that he might be able to continue the work which his father had begun. Such was the eagerness of these people to hear the word of Life, and to have schools opened in their villages that he longed to be able to devote his whole time to the Santal mission.

This he was able to do in 1873, when with the consent of the New Brunswick Conference he removed to Bhimpore, their chief village, and made it a centre for evangelistic work. Already over fifty village schools had been opened, with an enrollment of over 900 children, and many souls had been won for Christ. In a few months, a native church was opened at Bhimpore, which has continued to increase in numbers, and to give spiritual light "to them which sat in darkness" in that heathen land, even to the present time.

This work among the Santals was the beginning of what is now an important part of the Orissa Mission, carried on by the American Baptist Missionary Union.

After more than ten years of arduous work Dr. and Mrs. Phillips returned to America, arriving in May 1875. They remained on furlough about three and one half years, during which time they toured the churches in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia twice, in the interest of the Mission.

Dr. and Mrs. Phillips were present at the Annual Conference at Lower Millstream in 1875, where Mrs. Phillips organized the Woman's Missionary Society in New Brunswick, and again at Victoria

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1876. In addition to this work he visited the Free Baptist Churches in the United States, soliciting money for a Bible School at Midnapore. He was able to raise an endowment fund of \$25,000 for this purpose.

On his return to India in 1878, Dr. Phillips resumed his work among the Santals. But a few years later when the Bible School was built he became its first Principal and his connection with the New Brunswick Conference ceased.

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NOVA SCOTIA FREE BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY.

The Nova Scotia Foreign Mission Society like that of New Brunswick began work as an auxiliary of the Free Baptist Foreign Mission Society of the United States. It was organized in September, 1867 in the Kemptville church, Yarmouth Co., N.S. The foreign work of the society was carried on at Midnapore, on the Orissa field. Unlike the majority of Mission Boards at that time, its members were either male or female, thus representing the whole church—an arrangement that is generally conceded to be an ideal one for Christian work.

In 1864, when Dr. James L. Phillips went to India, as the New Brunswick Free Baptist Missionary, he was accompanied by his sister, Miss Julia Phillips who at that time was supported by the Mission Band of the Free Baptist Church at Brunswick Me., Owing to removals the Band became weakened and after a few years was unable to fulfil its engagement. This enabled the Nova Scotia Board to secure her services as their missionary, at their third annual meeting, September 10th, 1869.

For over twenty years, Miss Phillips (afterwards Mrs. Burkholder) continued to be their missionary. By her consecration, labors, correspondence and visits to the churches she did much to develop the missionary spirit in the churches by the sea. She was stationed at Midnapore, where she taught the orphan girls' school, and assisted in the Zenana work. To her and Mrs. Phillips belong the great honor of first telling the gospel story to that wonderful Brahmin woman, Chundra Lela, who had spent years going from holy place to holy place trying to find salvation from sin. After being instructed in the

Christian religion, she was baptized by Dr. Phillips, uniting with the Midnapore Church. Thereafter for thirty years she did the work of a Christian Evangelist preaching the gospel in all the holy places she had visited when on pilgrimage.

In 1893, Miss Edna Wile of Caledonia, N.S. took Miss Phillips' (Mrs. Burkholder) place as the missionary of the Society. She rendered valuable service for five years when she was obliged to return home on account of an attack of malarial fever. After the adoption of Miss Julia Phillips as the Missionary of the Society, in 1869, auxiliary societies were organized as rapidly as possible in all the churches. To a large extent the meetings were conducted by women. Mission Bands were organized prior to 1875. Mrs. Rufus Crowell, Mrs. James Cushing, Mrs. Whitney, Mrs. Asa McGray and Mrs. M. J. McGray were among the pioneer women as organizers. Mrs. Freeman Babcock and Miss Eudora Hilton did organization work at a later period. Among those who held official positions on the Board were Mrs. G. M. Wilson, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. George Phillips, recording secretary.

Mrs. James E. Cushing of Caledonia, N.S., was one of many, whose devotion to the cause of missions deserves special mention.

From the beginning of the work she was actively identified with it. Blessed with considerable means it was a joy to her to give material assistance to the cause.

When the Nova Scotia Conference united with the United Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces the local aid societies became a part of the United Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of the Maritime Provinces.



MRS. WILLIAM H. HEINE
Lower Millstream, N. B.
President F. B. Woman's Missionary Society of N. B.
1875—1877

ORGANIZATION OF THE FREE BAPTIST WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

On October 2nd, 1875, General Conference met at Lower Mill Stream, Kings Co. This was a session of more than usual interest for Dr. James L. Phillips and wife after more than ten years' service in India, were to be present to tell of their work in that far off land, and to answer the old time question of the prophet, "Watchman, what of the night?" Thither came ministers and lay delegates with their wives and daughters as well as visitors without number who desired to share in the spiritual feast at the Harvest Home of the denomination. The whole country side kept open house, and all who came enjoyed the fullest hospitality. Of the opening social conference it is recorded "It was a season long to be remembered, full of comfort and joy to believers, and a strong testimony to all of the living power of pure and undefiled religion. The difficulties of the past sank into insignificance, as testimony after testimony revealed the strong arm of the Lord delivering in every trial while the future spread out before hopeful hearts as a vast harvest field into whose standing corn they were privileged to go and reap for the Master."

This warm spiritual atmosphere prepared the way for the forward movement that Mrs. Mary R. Phillips had come intending to advocate. A meeting for women was called for Monday afternoon, October 4th, at which Mrs. Phillips gave an address on "The Organized Work of the Christian Women of America for the Evangelization and Education of Heathen Women." At the close an organization was effected, officers elected, a constitution adopted,

and plans arranged for organizing auxiliary societies in the local churches.

The work of the new organization was carried on by a Board of Managers which was to act in conjunction with the Foreign Mission Board of the denomination. Each district had its own president, secretary and treasurer. These officers were to promote organization in every church in the district, collect the funds, and report the work to the provincial officers.

That knowledge of the work might be diffused and interest created the constitution provided for a committee on "Missionary Intelligence" whose duty it was to prepare and publish items of news best calculated to promote the objects of the society.

First Officers.

The first officers of the Society were

Mrs. William H. Heine, *President*.

Miss M. J. Fenwick (Mrs. E. M. Kierstead),
Corresponding Secretary.

Miss Lottie Carpenter, *Recording Secretary*.

Mrs. William Peters, *Treasurer*.

Mrs. S. J. Jenkins, *Home Secretary*.

Associated with these was a consecrated band of women, who caught the vision of larger service and followed where the Spirit of the Lord led.

During the first year, twelve auxiliary societies

were organized, chiefly by Mrs. Phillips, namely—



MRS. WILLIAM PETERS
Treasurer 1875—1887

Taylor Village, Portage, Wickham, Dover, Coverdale, Penobscuis, Cornhill, Newton, Upper Hampstead, Millstream, Sussex and Carleton (St. John). By the end of the second year, these had increased to thirty-nine.

In 1876, Mrs. Joseph McLeod was appointed Recording Secretary, a position she held for twenty-six years. In the fol-

lowing year, Mrs. C. W. Weyman was elected corresponding-secretary, continuing in the office until 1906.

The first fruits of the Society in the way of a missionary volunteer was Miss Frances Seely of Blissville, Sunbury Co., who at the annual meeting 1877 was appointed to the Foreign Field. It was expected that she would go to India the following year with Dr. and Mrs. Phillips, but before the time arrived her health had failed, and she was obliged to resign her appointment. When a few years later she was called to higher service she left to the Society its first bequest.

The Society however, was not left without a representative to send, for Miss Jessie B. Hooper, a teacher in the Fredericton schools, applied to the Board of Managers for appointment and was ac-

cepted. She sailed for India, accompanying Dr. and Mrs. Phillips in the early fall of 1878.

At this time our sister Society across the border was publishing a fine monthly magazine "The Missionary Helper," devoted to the interests of woman's work in the Orissa Mission. This was recommended by our Society as an excellent and informing publication, and was generally taken by the members. The committee on "Missionary Intelligence"—



MRS. C. T. PHILLIPS
President 1877—1880

Mrs. G. A. Hartley, Mrs. W. O. Slipp and Miss Hannah Roach (Mrs. Thos. Robinson) were very active in the publication of missionary news, so that knowledge of the work became more general. Letters from Miss Hooper received by various societies assisted in arousing interest. The reports of the committee on Missionary Intelligence were read at the annual meeting. They gave a fine resume of the missionary news of the world.

In the year 1878, the first Mission Band in the history of the denomination was reported—"The Helping Hand" Band of Carleton, St. John, organized by Mrs. G. A. Hartley. It consisted of girls in the "teen" age, who carried on a junior sewing circle as well as the study of missions. This band continued to flourish for a number of years. A Mission Ban

g Dr. Sunday School Class was reported at North Head, Grand Manan in the same year. From this time, Mission Bands and Mission Band Sunday School classes became general. Usually they supported a native teacher, school or orphan.

In 1880, Mrs. Katherine A. Hartley became president, a position she continued to fill until 1892. To her knowledge of the work, fine executive ability, and spirit of consecrated zeal, the society owes much. This was a time of expansion when auxiliaries and bands increased and larger gifts came into the treasury.

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MRS. G. A. HARTLEY
President 1880—1892

MISS HOOPER'S WORK.

Miss Hooper had arrived in India, the last of November, 1878, going to Midnapore with the



MISS JESSIE B. HOOPER
Missionary to India 1878—1893

Phillips family. She remained there until 1883, overseeing the schools, visiting the women with her Bible women, and doing evangelistic work in the surrounding villages. In that year she removed to Jellasare, a station further South to assist in the care of an Orphanage. This proved unfortunate as the place was unhealthy and repeated attack of fever so

weakened her system that she was obliged to return home.

Arriving late in April, 1884, Miss Hooper spent the summer resting, and then began doing deputation work. During 1885 and 1886 she visited almost every Free Baptist Church in New Brunswick. As a result many new societies were organized and old ones strengthened. In some of these meetings Mr. and Mrs. Alder B. Boyer, Conference Missionaries elect were present and rendered much help.

In 1886, General Conference met in the Free Baptist Church, Carleton, St. John, beginning October

9th. On the evening of the 11th, Mr. Boyer was ordained to the Gospel Ministry, and with Mrs. Boyer and Miss Hooper, sailed for Boston on the 14th for India. They arrived in Calcutta, Jan. 2., 1887.

After attending the yearly meeting at Midnapore they proceeded to Balasore where they were located. As the natives here were Oriyas, it necessitated Miss Hooper learning that language. With the aid of two Bible women she did gospel work in the adjoining villages. Besides this she had charge of seven schools, and four Sunday Schools in Balasore.

The Society at this time was providing an experienced native preacher, Daniel Naik, for Rev. Mr. Boyer.

Column in "The Religious Intelligence."

"Meanwhile interest in Mission work had greatly increased at home. Letters from the Field by Miss Hooper, and Mr. and Mrs. Boyer had created much enthusiasm. Many of them were published in "The Religious Intelligence." and frequently read at public meetings.

Missionary literature was distributed throughout the various Districts, and "The Missionary Helper" brought its monthly messages of inspiration.

Yet the Committee on Missionary Intelligence felt that something more regular and definite in the



MRS. CLARA I. BOYER

way of bringing mission news before the auxiliaries was needed.

Miss Lydia J. Fullerton suggested a weekly "Column in the Religious Intelligence," in which would be published, letters from the Field, reports of Societies, original papers and general mission news.

This was considered at the Annual Meeting in 1888, and after consultation with the Editor, approved. Miss Fullerton was appointed to edit the "Column" with the assistance of Mrs. Freeman Babcock and Mrs. Richard Alexander. She continued in charge for three years, after which Mrs. Joseph McLeod acted as editor until the Union of 1906.

ANNUAL MEETING 1890.

In 1890, the Annual Meeting was again held at Lower Millstream. The Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. C. W. Weyman, in reviewing the fifteen years' work since organization, says: "We have now seventy-seven societies or regular contributing churches; a District Society in every District, and as I said last year, we every year get nearer to our ideal—a Society in every church in the Denomination. During these years our Society has raised nine thousand five hundred dollars. In the field we have a missionary equipped for work, a native preacher, Bible women, and schools all doing work of which only eternity will reveal the results."

In addition to the Foreign work, \$250 was granted to assist in Home Mission Work carried on by General Conference. The Treasurer's report showed a balance on hand of \$1,214.12.

Death of Rev. Mr. Boyer.

The year 1891 will ever be remembered among us on account of the death of our beloved missionary Rev. Alder B. Boyer, B.A., who after five years of consecrated service, fell a victim to fever, leaving his wife and two young daughters alone in a foreign land. Mrs. Boyer's determination to remain and as far as possible carry on the work thrilled all hearts with admiration.

Shortly after going to India, Mr. Boyer had opened up work in a heathen village, called Ujurdu. The blessing of the Lord had been upon this, from the beginning, and a small Christian community was soon gathered. At the request of Mr. Boyer, the Woman's Society had provided means for carrying on this work. Mrs. Boyer now took charge of the Ujurdu work.

In 1892, serious illness again compelled Miss Hooperto return home before her term was completed. Her bible women, schools, and village work were left in the hands of Mrs. Boyer and Miss Coombs.

In this year (1892) Mrs. A. C. Smith of St. John West, was elected President. Her gentle personality and sweet spirit won all hearts, during the six years she filled the office.

In 1893, the Society greatly rejoiced in the appointment of Miss Elizabeth E. Gaunce to the India Field. Speaking of her, the Corresponding-Secretary Mrs. Weyman, says: "God has given to us another self-sacrificing, humble, devoted Christian woman who is willing to lay all upon the altar and go forth in his name, our dear Sister Gaunce."

On the same steamer on which she sailed, the Nova Scotia Sisters sent out Miss Wile.

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MRS. A. C. SMITH
President 1892 1898

At the beginning of her second year Miss Gaunce began to take charge of the Hindoo Schools. Mrs. Boyer meanwhile continued to take care of Ujurda. Writing of a quarterly meeting at Ujurda Mrs. Boyer said: "The Hindoo villages had a meeting and agreed to forbid their people to enter the Mission Compound. They also agreed to forbid the Christians to enter their houses. But when the big tent went up, when Mr. Coldren arrived on a bicycle, and Mr. Wymen with a horse, when to these wonders were added the Magic Lantern Show, their curiosity overcame all scruples, and they poured into the compound by scores. Ah, then the Gospel was literally poured over them. They heard the pure, and simple story, in season and out of season. It was sung to them, preached to them, and presented to their imaginations through the magic lantern. They filled the tent during the services, and heard what they had never heard in their lives before prayer offered for them.

The delegates visited all the houses, preaching and praying, and were admitted. People from distant villages came in crowds to see the magic lantern. An old Brahmen, after hearing the old, old story, said, "If we attended to this, there would be no Brahmen and no Sudra."

The following year 1896, Mrs. Boyer returned to the home land, after nearly ten years of devoted and successful work, leaving the care of Ujurda to Miss Gaunce. (As denominational Missionary, Mrs. Boyer was Superintendent of the Boys' Orphanage at Balasore).

In 1898, Mrs. J. S. Smith, who for a number of years had been the capable Treasurer of the Society was elected President, and Mrs. D. McLeod Vince became treasurer.



MRS. J. SMITH,
President 1898 -1902

In the same year the Indian Committee requested Miss Gaunce to take charge of Sinclair Orphanage (Girls) at Balasore. This involved the care of the health, religious training, study, and work of from forty to fifty girls a task which she performed with great acceptance to the mission but which compelled her to give up the supervision of the Bible Women.



MISS ELIZABETH E. GAUNCE,
Missionary at Balasore,
Orissa, 1893—1902

She however, retained charge of Ujardu. This little interest had been steadily growing. In 1901 a Christian community of 63 was reported, a church of 16, a Sunday School of 31, as well as a day school. A native teacher, a colpor-

teur and a Bible woman was employed to carry on the work.

Miss Gaunce had a well sunk, so the people could have clean water, instead of using the dirty water from the tank. She also had a comfortable bungalow built in which the Missionary could live, when visiting the people. One large room in this was used as a place of worship.

At the present writing this church numbers 150 members, has a pastor, an assistant pastor, a Bible woman and teacher as its staff.

Miss Gaunce returned home in 1902. During her furlough she entered the Royal Victoria Hospital, Fredericton, N.B., from which she graduated as a professional nurse after a three years' course.

She returned to India after the Union of the two Societies, and was located at Parlakimedi in the Madras Presidency, where she could use the Oriya language, which she had acquired at Balasore.

1902-1906.

Miss Augusta Slipp, President.

At the Annual Meeting in 1902, Miss Augusta Slipp was elected President. Gifted with a fine personality, a ready pen, and much ability as a platform speaker, she was at this time the most outstanding woman along the younger members of the sisterhood. The Society builded better than it knew in selecting her for the leadership. The guiding hand of the Master was in it, placing in training one who was destined in a few years, to do a larger work in the United Society for the bringing in of the Kingdom.

At this meeting Mrs. Joseph McLeod, the capable Recording-Secretary of the Society for twenty-six years, retired from office. In recognition of her work she was made an honorary life member of the Board. The material for this sketch has been gleaned from her careful records. Mrs. J. Fred Boyer, her daughter, was appointed to fill the office.

At this time the Society rejoiced in a marked revival of Mission Band work. In all forty-one were reported. Cradle rolls, organized by Mrs. Barnes reported for the first time.

Two young ladies, Miss Hartt and Miss Doucette offered for the Foreign Field, but both were unable to pass the medical examination. Some years later, Hartt went to China under another Board.

The Society received a bequest of \$100 for the poor of Ujurdu from Mrs. R. J. Alexander, one of the old members of the Board.

As the Society had no missionary of their own pointed Missionary at Ujurdu, and a grant was made for carrying on the work.

Financial assistance was also given to the work at Santipore, carried on by Mrs. Mary R. Phillips the founder of the Society.

Grants were also made to the Balasore Book Room, and for the support of two orphans, Noble and Barnes.

At the session of 1904, General Conference was considering a Basis of Union with the Baptist Convention. It was understood that the Union of the two denominations involved the union of the two Missionary Societies, and therefore that the meeting of 1905 would be the last regular session of the Society.



MRS. JOSEPH McLEOD

Recording Secretary 1876-1902



MRS. C. W. WEYMAN

Corresponding Secretary, 1877-1905

On this account the work of that year has been given at more length that a complete record may be preserved.

ANNUAL MEETING 1905.

The Annual meeting of 1905 was held in Waterloo St. Church, St. John, October 6-11. Miss Augusta Slipp presiding.

The report of the corresponding secretary, Mrs Weyman, gave an extended account of the Ujurda work, noting especially the improved condition of the school.

The Book room at Balasore to which the Society gave a yearly grant had been doing a great work. The tables were supplied daily with papers in Oriya, Bengali, Hindu Erdu and Telegu.

Mrs. Henry Hartt, the Home Secretary, gave the following report of the District work:-

First District: Five societies, three Bands and four Cradle Rolls.

Second District: Twenty societies, seven mission Bands, and four Cradle Rolls.

Third District: No report reached the secretary.

Fourth District: Eleven Societies, one Band.

Fifth District: Eleven societies, two mission bands, and one Cradle Roll.

Sixth District: Eighteen societies, six Mission Bands, and two Cradle Rolls.

Seventh District: Seven societies, two not heard from. Five Mission Bands.

The Secretary in closing referred to the coming Union as a measure that would give enlarged opportunities for work both in Canada and India.

HOME MISSION WORK.

For a number of years the Society had annually made a grant to the Home Mission Work of the Denomination. This sometimes took the form of a grant to a special field to enable the Board to place a pastor in a needy place.

But in the year 1901, the Rev. J. N. Barnes was engaged to spend all his time as a Home Missionary evangelist. This engagement continued until the union of the Societies Mr and Mrs Barnes travelled yearly from Tobique R. to Grand Manan, preaching the Gospel, visiting homes, organizing new societies and Bands and re-organizing old ones. Mrs. Barnes devoted herself especially to the work of the Mission Band and Cradle Roll.

Thousands of Missionary tracts and booklets were placed in the hands of the people by these faithful workers.

The following summary of this work for the year 1905, is worthy of note: Places and Societies visited 85; families visited 438; families prayed with 349; meetings held 105; number of pages of literature distributed 2,333; Women's Missionary Societies organized 4; Mission Bands organized 7; re-organized 4; persons brought to Jesus 4; miles travelled 2,152; money collected for mission \$253.30; for denomination work \$75; total \$280.30.

The treasurer, Mrs. D. McLeod Vince reported:
 Balance on hand Sept. 17, 1904. \$ 2,108.28
 Money received during 1905 1,646.37

Total..... \$3,754.65
 Total Expended 1,821.85
 Balance on hand..... \$1,932.89

The report was adopted.

UNION ARRANGEMENTS.

An invitation having been received from Mrs. Manning, President of the Woman's Baptist Missionary Union, to meet with the Baptist sisters in Germain St. Church, St. John, N.B., a large number responded. A committee of five was appointed to discuss details of the proposed Union. The Baptist Committee were: Mrs. J. W. Manning, Mrs. W. E. McIntyre, Mrs. E. A. Crandall, Mrs. D. Hutchinson and Mrs. Everett.

The Free Baptist Committee were: Mrs. A. C. Smith, Mrs. C. W. Weyman, Miss Augusta Slipp, and Mrs. J. Fred Boyer.

The Committee made arrangements for the joint conduct of the District Meetings held during the year 1905, 1906, and of the New Brunswick Association Meeting.

The New Brunswick Association for 1906 met in St. John. The women also met and formed a New Brunswick Association, with a President, Vice-president to represent each district, Recording and Corresponding Secretaries and a Treasurer. One Sister from each District was to be a member of the District Executive.



MISS AUGUSTA SLIPP
President 1902—1906

UNION OF FREE BAPTIST WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF NEW BRUNSWICK AND THE WOMAN'S BAPTIST MISSIONARY UNION OF THE MARITIME PROVINCES.

A large delegation from the Free Baptist Society attended the Convention of the Woman's Baptist Missionary Union at Bridgetown, N.S., August 22, 23, 1906.

A Committee representing the Convention discussed with a Committee from the Free Baptist Society, the terms on which an organic union of the two societies could be effected.

The Committee consisted of Mrs. W. E. McIntyre, Mrs. M. S. Cox, Mrs. N. C. Scott, Miss Hume, Miss Wadman, Mrs. Gunn, and Mrs. P. R. Foster (Baptist) and Miss Slipp, Mrs. A. C. Smith, Mrs. Weyman, Mrs. Boyer, Miss C. R. Fullerton, Miss Gaunce, Mrs. J. N. Barnes, Mrs. McKinnon, and Mrs. J. Perry, Jr. (Free Baptists).

The following basis of union was agreed upon, and reported to the Convention, by Miss Fullerton, the Secretary of the Committee.

BASIS OF UNION.

1st.—The joint organization shall be The United Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of the Maritime Provinces.

2nd.—That a maximum sum of \$500 be guaranteed annually for the Orissa work, viz. for Ujurdu, the orphans, Noble and Barnes, two students and the Balasore Bookroom.

3rd.—That for the current year the Executives of the two bodies be amalgamated, and carry on the work of the new Organization under the name of

"The Executive Board of the United Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of the Maritime Provinces."

This Basis of Union was unanimously adopted by the Convention, and having been assented to by the Free Baptist Committee on behalf of their society the Union was declared consummated. Mrs. G. B. Smith on behalf of the Convention, and Mrs. Weyman representing the Free Baptist Society, expressed their joy in the Union now so happily consummated while the whole United Convention rose and sang "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow."

The joint committee was given authority to arrange a Constitution suited to the new conditions and to procure a new Act of Incorporation. These changes were adjusted during the year, and in August, 1907, representatives from the whole sisterhood met at Sussex in the First United Baptist Woman's Missionary Convention of the Maritime Provinces to carry on the work for the glory of God, and the welfare of mankind.

CONCLUSION.

In concluding this brief sketch permit me to say, it was our hope that it might have been written by the gifted pen of our corresponding secretary, Mrs. C. W. Weyman, whose thirty years of official connection with the Society would have enabled her to speak from personal knowledge of many things, to which the present writer can only refer as a matter of record. But before the work could be accomplished, it pleased our Heavenly Father to call His servant home.

Lack of space has compelled me to leave out many things of interest, and to fail in personal mention of some who did large service in the earlier years. Their names are written on high: they broke their alabaster box upon the Master's feet, and to them is the commendation: "She hath done what she could."

While bringing to a close this history of the Free Baptist Society as a distinctive body, it must be remembered that the Society itself under another name, still continues its work, in larger, fuller measure. As a streamlet having its source in a living spring far up the mountain, reaches the valley, mingles its waters with a larger stream, forming a river which continues widening and deepening its channel and increasing its volume, until it reaches the sea—so each of the uniting societies ceases to exist, and so both continue—as the United Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of the Maritime Provinces.

FREE BAPTIST W. M. S. OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

1906- 1907.

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<i>Home Secretary.</i>	Mrs. Henry Hartt.
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Mrs. C. T. Phillips

Mrs. J. T. Parsons

Corresponding Secretary

Mrs. M. J. Fenwick

Recording Secretary

Miss L. E. Carpenter

Home Secretary

Miss M. A. McLeod

Auditor

Mrs. E. Slipp

Committee of Missionary Intelligence.

Miss Amelia Atherton

Miss Blanche Parsons

BOARD OF MANAGERS.

Mrs Wm. Heine	Mrs. J. Fenwick
Miss M. A. McLeod	Mrs. William Slipp
Mrs. T. W. Smith	Miss B. Palmer
Mrs. Albert Peters	Mrs. J. B. Fenwick
Mrs. C. H. Wetmore	Mrs. G. W. McDonald
Miss L. E. Carpenter	Mrs. Robert Slipp
Mrs. George Atherton	Mrs. G. W. Vanwart
Mrs. G. L. Good	

DISTRICT SECRETARIES.

First District	
Second District	Mrs. G. W. McDonald
Third District	Mrs. Jos. McLeod
Fourth District	
Fifth District	Mrs. (Dr.) T. W. Musgrove
Sixth District	Mrs. George Wallace
Seventh District	Mrs. Aaron Kenney



MRS. DAVID HUTCHINSON
First President of U. B. W. M. U. 1906—1920

PART III.

**UNITED BAPTIST WOMAN'S MISSIONARY
UNION.**

"More things are wrought by prayer
Than this world dreams of."—*Tennyson*.

The never ceasing petitions ascending to God, in the monthly meetings of the W. M. A. Societies during their thirty-six years of existence, were for enlargement in membership and for greater operation, for the exaltation of Jesus Christ. To these petitions the answer came in God's way and in His time.

For several years, the proposed union of Free Baptists and Maritime Baptists had been under consideration, and finally it was effected in 1905, the combined body taking the name of United Baptists. The following year the Woman's Missionary Societies of the two bodies were united, marking a new and most important stage in the history of these organizations. This union had been carefully considered by the Executives of both Societies, and afterwards by a joint committee.

At the Annual Meeting of the W.B.M.U., held in Bridgetown, August '06, a report from the Joint Committee was read by the Secretary, Miss Clara Fullerton, recommending a basis of union as follows:

1st. The joint organization be the United Baptist Woman's Missionary Union of the Maritime Provinces.

2nd. That a maximum sum of \$500 be guaranteed annually for the Oris a work, viz., for Ujorda, the orphans, Noble and Barnes, two students, and the Balasore book room.

3rd. That for the current year, the Executive be amalgamated, and carry on the work of the new organization, under the name of the Executive Board of the United Baptist Woman's Missionary Union.

This report was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The consummation of this union of forces that day, gave a new vision of greater achievements in the coming years, and like the great missionary hero, St. Paul, we all thanked God and took courage.

The first annual meeting of the United Baptist Woman's Missionary Union was held at Sussex, N.B., August 22nd and 23rd 1907, and the first session was opened with a helpful service of prayer and praise, led by Mrs. J. W. Manning, Honorary President, a fitting beginning for the new regime.

All the reports were marked by a spirit of optimism, confident that God had greater blessing in store for our united efforts in the years to come.

Treasurer's Report.

United Baptist Woman's Missionary Union

In account with MRS. MARY SMITH

for year ending July 31st, 1907.

1906

July 31 --By Balance on hand.	\$ 3816 06
" amt. received from Nova Scotia W.M.A.S.—F.M	5475 40
" amt. received from Nova Scotia W.M.A.S.—H.M	2103 68
" amt. received from New Brunswick W.M.A.S.—F.M..	3459 52
" amt. received from New Brunswick W.M.A.S.—H.M	803 13
" amt. received from P.E. Island W.M.A.S.—F.M.	522 41

July 31—	amt. received from P. E. Island W.M.A.S.—H.M.	\$273 46
"	amt. received from donations F.M..	171 68
"	amt. received from donations H.M..	57 50
"	amt. received from Tidings and Reports.	27 58
"	amt. received from Mission Band Treasurer.	4005 46
"	amt. received Annual Convention Collection.	73 94
"	amt. received from Annual Association Meeting Collection.	93 91
"	amt. received from Act Incorporation Refund	199 70
"	amt. received from pledges Dr. Clark's Trav. Exp.	308 00
"	amt. received from interest.	37 23
"	amt. received from East Florenceville, Mrs. A. D. Hartley for Schools at Tekkali	60 00
Total.....		\$21,493.66

The estimates for the ensuing year were read by the Treasurer and unanimously adopted as follows:—

Estimates for 1907-08.

Miss Harrison's Salary..	\$ 500
Helpers and Travelling	150
Miss Newcombe's Salary	500
Helpers and Travelling	150
Miss Archibald's Salary	500
Helpers, Schools and Travelling	200
Miss Blackadar's Salary	500
Work at Vizianagram	225

Miss Flora Clarke's Salary.	500
Helpers and Travelling	150
Miss Martha Clark's Salary.	500
Helpers and Travelling	150
Miss Laura Peck's Salary.	500
Miss Barbara Mould's Salary	500
Teacher, etc..	75
Miss Alberta Patton's Salary.	500
Teacher, etc..	75
Miss Elizabeth Gaunce's Salary	500
Helpers and teachers.	100
Dr. Zella Clark's Salary..	500
Teacher	70
Miss Cora Elliott's Salary	500
Teacher	70
Chicacole Hospital.	250
School at Bobbili	200
School at Rayagadda and Singapore .	100
Balasore Mission	500
Bimlipatam School..	265
Contingent Fund	600
Travelling Expenses and Outfit.	1500
Books and Tracts.	100
New Work.	1000
Male Missionaries' Salaries..	3070

Increase, \$2125.00	\$ 15000
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Home Missions

Manitoba and North West.	\$ 1700
Grande Ligne	1000
Indian Work.	350
Nova Scotia and P. F. Island	1250
New Brunswick	700

Increase, \$1350.00	\$ 5000
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On the resignation of Mrs. Henry Everett, who had served the W. B. M. U. as Recording Secretary for eleven years, and the U.B.W.M.U. for one year, Miss Clara Fullerton was appointed as her successor.

OFFICERS U.B.W.M.U. 1907-1908.

<i>Hon. President</i>	Mrs. J. W. Manning.
<i>President</i>	Mrs. David Hutchinson.
<i>Corresponding Secretary</i>	Miss Hume.
<i>Treasurer</i>	Mrs. Mary Smith.
<i>Mission Band Treas...</i>	Mrs. Ida Crandall.
<i>Recording Secretary.</i>	Miss Clara R. Fullerton.
<i>Vice-President, N. S..</i>	Mrs. M. C. Higgins.
<i>Vice-President, N.B.</i>	Mrs. C. W. Weyman.
<i>Vice-President, P.E.I.</i>	Mrs. J. G. A. Belyea.
<i>Provincial Secretary, N.S.</i>	Mrs. G. L. Pearson.
<i>Provincial Sec'y. N.B...</i>	Mrs. M. S. Cox.
<i>Provincial Sec'y., P. E. I.</i>	Miss A. A. Wadman.
<i>Mission Band Superintendent, N. S.</i>	Mrs. P. R. Foster.
<i>Mission Band Superintendent, N. B.</i>	Mrs. W. E. McIntyre.
<i>Mission Band Sup't.,</i>	
<i>P. E. I.</i>	Miss Irene Clarke.

In 1908 the first Baby Band Report was presented to the Convention by Mrs. C. S. McLearn. The same year, Mrs. E. M. Sipprel was appointed Editor of the U.B.W.M.U. column in the Maritime Baptist, to fill the va-



MISS HUME
Corresponding Secretary since 1907

cancy made by the resignation of Miss Lydia Fullerton.

Changes often follow in fast succession, especially after we pass the third-score milestone. The following extract from the Report of 1908, discloses its own deep pathos:

Good-By.

"It is hard, sometimes, to say "good-by." It is very hard for me to lay down the work, however



MRS. M. S. COX

imperfectly done, which is so dear to my heart. It cannot be helped, so I say my farewell to this office, not, I trust to the work. I desire first, to thank the Lord who has granted me health and strength, 'even down to old age' to carry on the work. It has been a comfort to me in sorrow and in joy. I again say, thank God.

I also thank the President and all officers of the Union for courtesy, help and patience with my shortcomings.

I thank my sisters, one and all, especially my sisters in New Brunswick for all their loving kindness to me through the 13 years.

I thank all the sisters who have written me very affectionate letters of regret that I was leaving the work, and those who said they always prayed for me.

I also thank the missionaries on the field and on furlough for loving words of sympathy, and far too undeserved words of appreciation.

Yours and His,

M. S. COX,"

Prov. Secy. for N. B.

Mrs. Cox was succeeded by Miss Rebecca Bennet of Hopewell, N.B., who rendered excellent service, but was obliged to resign in 1909 when Miss Augusta Slipp accepted the office. Miss Slipp's many years of service in the former F.B.M.S. has made her work invaluable.

Tidings.

On the resignation of Mrs. Chubbuck, Editor of Tidings in 1908, Mrs. J. W. Manning accepted the Editorial chair, with Mrs. Ralston still Business Manager. From time to time "Tidings" has been enlarged. It is now a 16-page monthly, filled with the latest information and best material for our work, including the "Suggested Programs for Monthly Meetings," and having a subscription list of over ten thousand.

Deputation Organization.

In 1910 the U.B.W.M.U. were impressed that more effective means must be used to secure the co-operation of the large numbers of U. Baptist women not identified with our work. A committee was appointed to seek such women as would tour through the Maritime Provinces in the interest of this cause. As a result of this quest, Miss Augusta Slipp and Miss Margaret West were engaged for N. B., Mrs. W. B. Crowell and Miss Nora Shand for N. S., and

Miss A. A. Wadman for P. E. I. From the Recording Secretary's report we make the following extract, which shows the success of their good work: "From



MISS A. A. WADMAN
Provincial Secretary P. E. Island

September 13th to October 9th Miss Shand visited twenty one places. She made twenty-two evening addresses and attended twelve children's afternoon meetings. Two Aid Societies were organized in Cape Breton and one in Guysboro County, and one reorganized. Seven new Bands were formed in Cape Breton and one reorganized, and in Guysboro another

Band was revived. Several other Aids and Bands were hoped for, though the organization was not carried out at the time. Miss Shand made a trip through a part of Colchester in June. Here she addressed ten meetings, attended the District Quarterly, organized one Aid Society and made plans for the organization of a Band. Total expenses of the two trips \$54.50. Collections taken at meetings \$105.04.

Mrs. Crowell began work on August 31st, and from that date to October visited thirty-seven places and held thirty-two meetings. Where it was not possible to hold a meeting, she visited the homes and urged taking up the work in some way. She attended two Quarterlies. As a result of her trip five Aids and seven Mission Bands were organized as follows:

In Yarmouth County three Aids; Annapolis County one Band; in Shelburne County two Aids and five Mission Bands; and in Lunenburg County one Band. A Tidings club was started and new names added in every place visited, and several new names were secured for the Baby Band. Miss West reported visiting nineteen places, giving twenty addresses, besides afternoon meetings and house to house visitations. Organized two Societies and fourteen new Mission Bands.

Miss Slipp visited twenty-eight churches, gave thirty-three addresses, some being to Sunday Schools, organized four new Bands, and others were given new life. Organized three new Societies and re-organized three, besides new members gained for others. Formed nine clubs for *Tidings*, appointing agents to have charge of the distribution. Collections \$50.00; expenses \$23.00. Eighty-five women pledged themselves to become mission workers; visited one hundred homes, walked thirty miles, and one Sunday drove twenty miles to meet three appointments. During the months of June and July Miss Slipp made another tour, during which she made twelve addresses and organized three Bands and one Society. Collections received, \$38.00".

Subsequently Miss Slipp toured through N. S. and P. E. I. Many old Societies were revived and new Societies were organized. "*Tidings*" gained many new subscribers, and hundreds of women were inspired to greater service by her earnest appeal. Since Mrs. C. S. McLearn's second appointment as N. S. Provincial Secretary in 1915, she has successfully devoted a part of each year to deputation work. It can be truthfully stated no report can fully measure the results we are now reaping from the work of these earnest women.



MRS. G. BOTSFORD SMITH, M. A.
Treasurer 1889—192 —

FEDERATION OF CANADIAN BAPTIST MISSION BOARDS.

The union of the Baptist Foreign Mission Boards of Ontario and Quebec and the Maritime Provinces marks another distinct epoch in the history of Canadian Baptist Foreign Missions. The new Board was organized in Toronto, May 1912, and is composed of three sections,—Eastern, Central and Western. The field under its control includes the territory in the Telugu country, occupied by the Boards mentioned, and work in Bolivia, South America, carried on by the Ontario and Quebec Board since 1898. The President and the General Treasurer of the U.B.W.M.U. are members of the Canadian Baptist Foreign Mission Board. Our denominational year now begins with October 1st, all accounts being closed September 30th. The Annual Meeting of the U.B.W.M.U. takes place about the middle of October, the Wednesday and Thursday preceding the Maritime Convention, and at a different place, as in former years. The first contribution of our Union to Bolivia was in 1913.

Honored by U.B.W.M.U.

At the meeting of the U.B.W.M.U. Convention in St. Stephen, 1913, an event of no minor importance was the recognition of Mrs. Mary Smith's twenty-five years of voluntary service as Treasurer of the Union. Miss M. E. Hume on behalf of the Union, presented a beautiful, illuminated address, to Mrs. Smith, Mrs. M. S. Cox gave one of her characteristic reminiscent sketches, and Miss Jean Goucher presented an exquisite bouquet of carnations. To these expressions of love and appreciation she responded in touching words. We treasure such memories.

In 1915 it was deemed advisable to appoint Provincial Treasurers, to relieve the over-strain of Mrs. Smith, who consented to serve as General Treasurer. The new Provincial Treasurers, Miss Hazel Clark, St. John West; Mrs. J. E. Seaman, Amherst; Mrs. A. E. Sterns, Charlottetown, were presented to Convention.

Bureau of Literature.

At the same Convention Mrs. C.G. Horsman, who had served as Secretary to the Bureau of Literature since 1908, tendered her resignation, and she was succeeded by Mrs. Frances Dishart. The following contributions have been received since 1906: Mrs. W. B. Crowell's Prayer Cycle, in '07, and Mrs. Edna Wilson's artistically arranged Missionary Calendar in '13, which, with their topics for thought and prayer, are most highly prized as daily reminders of our missionaries and of all phases of our work. "Letters from My Home in India" by Mrs. Churchill, compiled by Mrs. Grace Dean McLeod Rogers, has had an immense circulation. Its charm and interest ensure a never failing inspiration in attempting great things for God.

The Home Mission Committee has also made useful contributions to our literature. A series of short stories on Home Mission Beginnings, by Mrs. F. H. Beals, has been published in *Tidings*, serving admirably as readings for missionary meetings, and can be procured from the Bureau by payment of postage. "U.B.W.M.U. Fuel for Home Mission Fires" by Mrs. C. H. Martell, can also be procured from the same source.

"Our Pioneer," from the gifted pen of Rev. D. A. Steele, D.D., is the latest addition to our missionary literature. An epitome of beginnings in Maritime Baptist Missions, giving a full account of the early

life and work of Miss Norris, it is full of interest from cover to cover.

Mission Study.

From the beginning of our missionary operations the educational element has been closely allied with the spiritual, aiming to intensify our zeal by knowledge. Ever since the "United Mission Study" was introduced in the United States and Canada in 1900, it has been regularly followed by almost all our W. M. A. Societies with great interest and profit.

In 1918 by vote of the W. M. A. Societies no Convention was held, owing to war conditions, but arrangements were made to have the work done by a full executive, and owing to conditions created by the world-wide epidemic, "Flu," the executive could not meet until Jan. 2-4, 1919, when all official reports were adopted. Progress marked every department, and the new budget showed a decided enlargement. No change was made in officers or in the Executive, except to fill vacancies.

Throughout the dark years of the Great War, from 1914-1918, no retrenchment was made in the annual estimates. Though many of our women were wearing with their outward smile inward "tears of blood," they determined to "carry on," and during those hard days, no branch of our work was neglected.

Honored By Acadia University.

One of the unique events of the Golden Jubilee year was its recognition by Acadia University in conferring the Honorary Degree of M.A. on two of our noted pioneer leaders, Mrs. J. W. Manning, Wolfville, N.S., and Mrs. Mary Smith, Amherst, N.S.

In presenting these sisters to President Cutten, Dr. Chute briefly outlined the work in which they had been engaged thus:

"The present year is the Jubilee year of the Woman's Baptist Missionary Aid Societies of these Maritime Provinces. With Miss Norris of Canso, Nova Scotia, in 1870 organized effort for blessing the heathen world began among our women; and from thence in the succeeding years, the beneficent work has extended through all denominations of Christians in Canada. Through this entire half century, Mrs. Manning has been actively identified with this great enterprise. In 1884, when the Woman's Baptist Missionary Union was formed by uniting the three previously existing Boards into one executive, she was appointed the General Treasurer, a position she efficiently filled for five years. For seventeen years thereafter, she held the office of President of the Union, attending every executive meeting and every Convention during that time. For the past thirteen years she has been editor of the *Missionary Magazine* known as *Tidings*, the official organ of the U. B. W.M.U. By informing and inspiring addresses at Associations and Conventions, for more than a quarter of a century, and by her editorial work, Mrs. Manning is widely known and highly esteemed throughout the bounds of the Maritime Baptist Convention.

For these reasons, therefore, she is now presented to you that you may confer upon her the M.A. degree.

Next to Mrs. Manning, Mrs. Smith has served for the longest time, and served with like faithfulness and devotion, the Missionary organization which had its beginnings at Canso in 1870. When the office of Treasurer of the Woman's Baptist Missionary Union was made vacant by the appointment of Mrs. Manning to the Presidency in 1889, Mrs. Smith was chosen to fill the vacancy. That office she has held, and its duties she has most faithfully discharged, for

the thirty-one years succeeding. After she had served the Union for a quarter of a century, an evidence of the high appreciation of her service appeared in the erection in India, the sphere of our foreign missionary effort, of a bungalow bearing her name. And it is now deemed fitting that here at home our sense of obligation to Mrs. Smith should find a public expression."

As Acadia was among the first Canadian Universities to open her doors to women, for a B.A. degree, and among the first to place women on her Board of Governors, she is now the first to recognize the splendid contribution of Christian women's work, toward the up-lift and evangelization of women and children in non-Christian countries, not unmindful of their work in Canadian Home Missions.

In this recognition of the U.B.W.M.U. we all share the honor. Those from the small struggling Societies, alike with their sisters in the largest and strongest.

Golden Jubilee.

We now approach the Fiftieth Milestone in our work, --the Golden Jubilee. At the semi-annual meeting of the Executive, in Wolfville, April 1917, it was decided to celebrate the Fiftieth Anniversary of Baptist Woman's Missionary Societies in 1920. A committee was appointed for preliminary preparation and reported at the July Executive, resulting in the adoption of a three-year campaign, the consummation of which exceeded the most sanguine expectations.

A complete history of this campaign will be found elsewhere in this book, written by Mrs. David Hutchinson, Convener of the Jubilee Committee. It may here be stated that the success of the Jubilee Campaign is largely due to the unceasing efforts of

our President, Treasurer, Editor of *Tidings*, and all the Secretaries, who by voice and pen reached not only all the Societies in our constituency but also won the interest of many outside. Special mention may be made of Miss M. E. Hume's leaflet, "Hints and Helps," distributed in 1917: a helpful hint to many a perplexed leader in the work.

Home Base.

Estimates for Foreign Missions 1919-1920.

	Salaries	Expenses
Bimlipatam, Miss Newcombe..	\$ 600.00	\$ 260.00
Bobbili, Mrs. Churchill..	200.00	122.00
" Miss Elliott.....	600.00	1,398.00
Chicacole, Miss Archibald.....	600.00	500.00
" Medical		524.00
" Redemption Home.....		248.00
Palkonda, Miss Knowles.....	600.00	220.00
Parlakimedi, Savara Work		260.00
" Miss Harrison.....	600.00	216.00
Rayagadda		40.00
Sompet, Miss M. Clark..	600.00	356.00
" Dr. Clark	600.00	420.00
Tekkali, Miss Patton.....	600.00	404.00
Vizianagram, Flora Clarke	600.00	808.00
" Miss Mason.....	600.00	
" Miss Lockhart.....	600.00	
Bolivia, Miss Matheson	500.00	
" Miss Machum	500.00	
" Miss Blackadar.....	600.00	
" Miss Eaton.....	600.00	
" Miss Myers	600.00	
" Miss Baker.....	600.00	
" Miss Wilson.....	600.00	

Munshies.	200.00
Vizagapatam.	800.00
Travelling.	1,800.00
Repairs Chicacole Bungalow.	100.00
Contingent..	1,000.00
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	1,800.00
	9,676.00
Exchange.....	9,738.00
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	\$30,214.00

**Treasurer's Report for Year Ending September
30, 1920.**

By Balance on hand	\$27,211.96
Amount received from	
W.M.A.S., Nova Scotia F.M.	10,546.47
W.M.A.S., Nova Scotia H.M.	4,782.72
W.M.A.S., Nova Scotia, Jubilee Fund.	8,179.83
W.M.A.S., New Brunswick, F.M..	9,257.85
W.M.A.S., New Brunswick, H.M.	4,464.96
W.M.A.S., New Brunswick, Jub. Fund	6,643.38
W.M.A.S., P. E. Island, F.M..	1,159.64
W.M.A.S., P. E. Island, H.M..	686 63
W.M.A.S., P. E.I., Jubilee Fund.	584 24
Mission Bands, F. M.	4,944.40
Mission Bands, H. M..	1,989.01
Mission Bands, Jubilee Fund.	1,453.34
Baby Bands, P. E. Island, F. M.. .	57 80
Baby Bands, New Brunswick, F. M. .	574 23
Baby Bands, Nova Scotia, F. M.	370 20
Canadian Baptist F. M. Board (Refd.)...	30 00
Miss Ida Newcombe, India, Jub. Fd...	250 00
Mrs. Churchill, India, Jub lee Fund .	100 00
W. W. Guild, Charlottetown, F. M..	7 50
Class 1916, Acadia University.	18 70
Interest	476 49
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	\$83,789.35

Number of W. M. A. Societies in	
N. S.	192
Total Membership in N. S.	4,510
Number of W. M. A. Societies in N. B.	182
Total Membership	4,000
Number of W. M. A. Societies in	
P. E. I.	57
Total Membership	480
Number of Mission Bands in N. S.	98
" " " " N. B.	109
" " " " P. E. I.	9
World Wide Guilds	23

An Approximate Summary of Work in India and Bolivia.

CANADIAN BAPTIST MISSION IN THE TELUGU COUNTRY, INDIA.

Total population of Telugus 20,000,000. In the C. B. M. Territory 373,000.

Mission Stations, 21. Villages, 6,264. Average for each field about 285 and 194,000 people.

Total Missionary Staff including wives of Missionaries, 90.

Total Native Workers, 522 as follows: 50 Pastors, 104 Evangelists, 21 Colporteurs, 81 Bible Women, 169 Male Teachers, 77 Female Teachers and 20 Medical Assistants.

Hospitals, 6. Dispensaries, 2.

Stations of special interest to the U. B. W. M. U.:

Bimlipatam	Opened	1875
Bobbili	"	1878
Chicacole	"	1877
Narsapatam	"	1893
Palconda	"	1900
Parlakimedi	"	1892

Rayagadda	Opened	1909
Sompetta	"	1911
Savara	"	1903
Tekkali	"	1891
Vizianagram	"	1889
Vizagapatam	"	1911
Vuyyuru	"	1891

Outstations, 46.

Unmarried Lady Missionaries, 17.

Bible Women, 50.

Total Missionary Staff including wives of Missionaries, 40.

Day Schools, 121; Sunday Schools and Evangelistic Schools, 104; Boys' Boarding School in Bimlipatam. Combined Boys' and Girls' Boarding Schools at Bobbili, Chicacole, Parlakimedi, Vuyyuru.

2 Hospitals. 1 Dispensary. 3 Medical Doctors.

Buildings erected, purchased and repaired:

Bobbili— School building for girls. Dormitories for Boarding School girls. Helped build Churchill Memorial Home.

Bimlipatam— Repaired and re-roofed Bungalow.

Girls' school building at Dakamari (out station).

Chicacole— Caste girls' school building. Purchased Hospital building for lady's bungalow.

Parlakimedi— Lady's bungalow with outbuildings.

Palcondah— Lady's bungalow.

Sompetta— Mary Smith Anniversary bungalow with out buildings. Improved present hospital buildings.

Tekkali— Lady's bungalow. School building at out-station.

Vizianagram— Peck Memorial bungalow. Helped buy property from the London Mission. Cantonment girls' school building. Helped to erect girls' school building, Main Street.

Vizagapatam—Lady's bungalow at Waltair. Girl's School at Allipur. Girl's School Hope Hall.

BOLIVIA

Stations: La Paz, Oruro, Cochabamba.
12 Missionaries, 2 Assoca.-Missionaries.

Representatives in India and Bolivia.

During these fifty years it has been our privilege to send and support the following:

- 1867—Miss M. B. DeWolfe (Mrs J. T. Eaton.)
- 1870—Miss H. M. Norris (Mrs. W. F. Armstrong).
- 1874—Miss Maria Armstrong (Mrs. G. F. Currie).
- 1874—Miss Flora Eaton (Mrs. A. B. Boggs).
- 1878—Miss Carrie Hammond (Mrs. I. C. Archibald).
- 1884—Miss H. Wright.
- 1884—Miss A. C. Gray, Died.
- 1889—Miss Nettie Fitch (Mrs. LaFlamme).
- 1890—Miss Kate McNeil (Mrs. Marsh).
- 1894—Miss Martha Clark.
- 1896—Miss Maud Harrison.
- 1897—Miss Mabel Archibald.
- 1898—Miss Helena Blackadar.
- 1900—Miss Flora Clarke.
- 1905—Miss Laura Peck, Died 1911.
- 1905—Miss Barbara Mould (Mrs. Dennis).
- 1905—Miss Elizabeth Gaunce (Mrs. Tusker).
- 1906—Miss Alberta Patten.
- 1906—Miss Zella Clark, M.D.
- 1907—Miss Cora Elliott.
- 1908—Miss Lottie Sanford.
- 1908—Miss Bessie Churchill (Mrs H. E. Stillwell).
- 1909—Miss Winnifred Eaton.
- 1909—Miss Lois Knowles.
- 1912—Miss Jennie Corbett, Died 1914.
- 1912—Miss Edith Woodman (Mrs. Vernon, Africa).

- 1916 —Miss Bertha Myers.
- 1916 —Miss Bessie Lockhart.
- 1917 —Miss Grace Baker.
- 1918 —Miss L. E. Wilson (Bolivia).
- 1919 —Miss S. E. Machum.
- 1919 —Miss Florence Matheson.
- 1920 —Miss Laura Bain (under appointment).
- 1874 —Mrs. George Churchill, Supported by Union
since 1909.

No Board has ever sent to a Mission Field a better educationally equipped, or a more truly consecrated staff of unmarried lady-missionaries than the above named. Their daily life and example among those under their instruction—placing Christ and His teachings as first in life—are apparent in the transformed homes, and in the part Christian Telugu women are taking in church relations, and even in social and civic affairs. Christianity in all its wide scope is the only power for the up-lift of India's or Bolivia's women, and with this will follow the great up-lift of these countries, for we believe the oft-repeated statement, that no country is better than its women, and David Lyall's words, "It's the women that keep the world together."

In Memoriam.

This sketch would indeed be incomplete without a brief mention of those early officers who have gone to their reward in the Home Beyond:

Mrs. Selden, Secretary of W.M.A. Societies in Nova Scotia for eighteen years.

Mrs. J. F. Parsons, first Nova Scotia Vice-President of W.B.M.U.

Miss A. E. Johnstone, first Home Mission Secretary, Deputation Organizer and Provincial Secretary.

Mrs. M. W. Williams, first President of the W. B. M.U.

Mrs. J. E. Hopper, first New Brunswick Vice-President, W.B.M.U.

Mrs. J. F. Masters, (Mrs. Humphrey) first Secretary of New Brunswick Central Board.

Mrs. Wm. Allwood, first Treasurer of New Brunswick Central Board for twelve years.

Mrs. John March, Secretary of New Brunswick Central Board for six years, Corresponding Secretary of W.B.M.U. for seven years, General Deputation Organizer for New Brunswick.

Mrs. Henry Everett, Secretary of W.B.M.U.

Mrs. James Desbrisay, President of Prince Edward Island Central Board.

Mrs. I. W. Porter, Home Mission Secretary.

Miss M. E. Davis, Secretary of Central Board.

Mrs. J. C. Clark, Vice-Pres. for P.E.I. for eight years.

Mrs. William H. Heine, First President Free Baptist W.M.S. of New Brunswick, 1875-1877.

Mrs. William Peters, Treasurer, F.B.W.M.S. 1875-1887.

Mrs. C. T. Phillips, President F.B.W.M.S. 1877-1880.

Mrs. Joseph McLeod, Recording Secretary F.B.W.M.S. 1876-1902.

Mrs. Henry Hartt, Home Secretary F.B.W.M.S.

Mrs. C. W. Weyman, Corresponding Secretary F.B.W.M.S. 1877-1906 first N. B. Vice-Pres. of U.B.W.M.U.

Mrs. J. S. Smith, President F. B. W. M. S. 1898-1902.

These women were loyal to the cause they espoused, faithful in service. "Their works do follow them."

In Appreciation.

We thank God for the beautiful life and work of Mrs. David Hutchinson, our beloved President for thirteen years, and for her efficient and faithful staff of officers and executive. We would mention with high honor the self-sacrificing pioneer County and Provincial Secretaries:- Mrs. J. F. Kempton, serving in two counties in Nova Scotia and in Albert, New Brunswick; Mrs. P. R. Foster, serving in five counties in Nova Scotia, also Mission Band Superintendent for fifteen years, General Organizer from Margaree to Digby Neck; Mrs. J. M. Gunn, Secretary for Colchester. In New Brunswick, Mrs. M. S. Cox, the indefatigable veteran, Provincial Secretary and Deputation Organizer for thirteen years; Mrs. Ida Crandall, first Mission Band Treasurer, serving for ten years. And in Prince Edward Island, Miss A. A. Wadman, Provincial Secretary and Organizer for thirteen years; Mrs. J. C. Spurr, Provincial Secretary for P.E.I. for six years and County Secretary for Hants for four years. Each of these women is a host in herself, of wide vision, ready, gladly serving in her task, an inspiration to her co-workers, not weary of the work, but worn in it.

We also call to mind the greater host whose beautiful ministry may be unknown outside of their local environment, their names perchance never seen on the printed page. God knows them, and remembers their prayers and efforts in upholding the hands of our leaders.

There is a story of a nameless monk, who worked year after year at a rough block in a certain Cathedral, until it turned to the very likeness of Christ. He died and was buried in a forgotten grave, but every morning the light, streaming through the eastern

window, over the head of the Christ, as from the eyes of the Judge touches with gold the image of the Lord wrought by His servant, and as generations pace the aisles beneath, high above them, beautiful and unchanging, remains the unknown worker's memorial. So it may be with the work of these dear sisters, they labor not in vain in the Lord.

Imperfectly as these records are given, it has been a service of love to live over again those days during which, our hearts knit together in love, we have been "Labourers together with God." The future before us is bright with promise, and the historian of the next fifty years will have a story to relate far beyond our highest optimism of today.

In a review of these fifty years no one can fail to be impressed with the marvellous changes and possibilities that have come to this old world, especially during the last six years. In the first months of 1914, the entire world was moving in its comparatively peaceful orbit, with nothing of a serious nature in sight to disturb its tranquility. Life for the masses was easy and cheerful. Living was cheap, and money went a long way in the provision of daily necessities. But for the poor and the non-caste, the lapse classes, life at best was a hard struggle, and in comparison with the need, little was done for the amelioration of their condition. True, Christian Missions never received such recognition as they had through the previous decade, and this made us quite comfortable. But the vision of things as they were, and the greater mission awaiting us, failed to reach our dim eyes. The world knew not that a burning volcano was ready to consume us, until August 4, 1914, when war-sounds echoed round the earth. We were shocked; but were we dismayed and crippled in Christian endeavor? No. Optimism

inspired courage that first drastic year, and in the terrific struggle of 1915-16, while hope so often languished, faith in Almighty God came as a torch in our darkness, and "midst the blackness of darkness," March 21, 1918, the Christian world cried mightily unto the Lord our God, in distress. His hand that day over-turned the progress of the enemy, and with one voice God's people said, "It is the Lord's doings, marvellous in our eyes."

On November 11, 1918, when the declaration of Armistice encircled the earth, a new day dawned for a new world, and with greater faith, the Christian Church awakened to her new opportunities as never before. From these wonderful experiences have come Prohibitory Liquor Laws, already benefiting millions of the human race, and doubtless with world-wide power, yet to sway; the great Inter-Church Movement, for world-wide evangelism, which will give the Gospel of Jesus Christ to every creature;" and the franchise for women, now opening greater avenues for usefulness to those, who by their war-work experience, have demonstrated their ability to help in establishing righteousness in the world. For we believe that it is by the light of the old Gospel only that the wrongs and unrest of today are to be overcome, and this new world is to be made worthy of the sacrifice that has been offered. And who knows but as Christian women we are here "for such a time as this?"

"There is no real success without sacrifice. If you succeed without sacrifice, it is because someone else has sacrificed before you. If you have sacrificed without success, it is that someone may succeed after you." *Edward Judson.*

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PART IV.

THE STORY OF THE JUBILEE.

The Jubilee of ancient times was ordained by Jehovah to be observed by the people of Israel after they had entered upon their inheritance in the land of Canaan. It was an occasion of joy and gladness; of restorations and reunions; of thanksgiving and worship and of jubilation because of all that Jehovah had done for his people in the past years of their history. Every fiftieth year was to be a year of Jubilee, when the whole nation would unite in celebrating the coming into possession of the goodly land which God gave them for an inheritance.

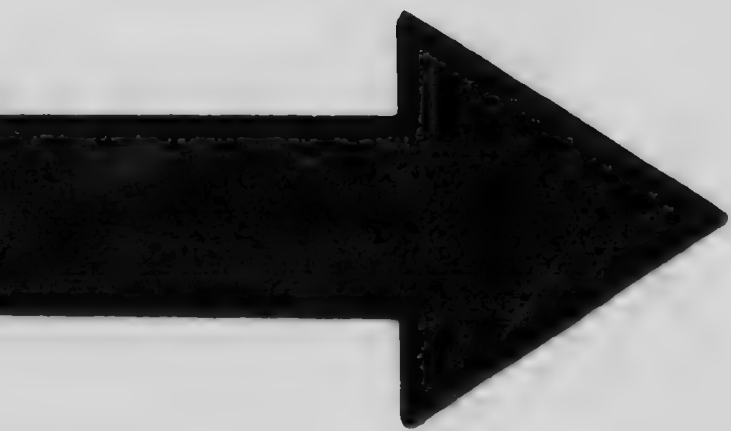
It seems a fitting thing today that when God has called any of his people to do a certain work for him, and has led them and blessed them through fifty years in its performance, the completion of a half-century should be celebrated as an occasion of public rejoicing and thanksgiving, in recognition of the good hand of God upon them, blessing their efforts and crowning them with success.

It was in the year 1870 that Miss Maria Norris, young, talented and consecrated to God for His service, organized the first Women's Missionary Aid Societies, thus making possible the fulfilment of her desire to go to Burma, and giving the Baptist women of the Maritime Provinces a share in her work for the women and children of that far-away and needy land.

From this small beginning the growth and expansion of the work through fifty years has been such that it can be truly said of it "This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes."

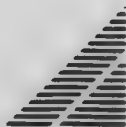
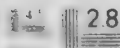
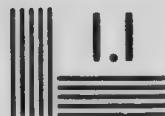
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Missionary Union, embracing more than four hundred W.M.A. Societies, nearly three hundred Mission Bands, a growing Baby Band department, and the first Canadian Branch of the World Wide Guild, which promises much for the future of our women's work in the days that are to come.

The work began by providing for the sending and supporting of one single lady missionary. Today the U.B.W.M.U. supports seventeen lady missionaries and their work in India, and one in Bolivia, and is contributing thousands of dollars annually toward the support of Home Mission work in the Maritime Provinces, the Grande Ligne Mission in Quebec, and both English and non-English work in Western Canada.

It was during the sad years of war, with their stress and strain, that the drawing near of our Jubilee year was borne in upon our minds. But great missionary movements have been born in times of war; the history of missions shows that during days of strife and suffering the cause of foreign missions has made most surprising advances; and so, in spite of the world war, with all its demands upon heart and strength and purse, it was decided to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of the U.B.W.M.U. in 1920, and to enter upon a three-year campaign preparatory to it.

This decision was reached at the semi-annual meeting of the Executive in April, 1917, at Wolfville N.S., and a large Jubilee Committee was appointed to take the matter into consideration and report at the following meeting in July. This was done, and at the July meeting, held in St. John, the report of the Committee was received, and, after discussion, adopted.

This report presented a three-fold aim of enlargement in 1.

1. The Home Department of our work, and included an increase in the number of intercessors,

putting this first; also increase in the number of Societies, of Young Women's Societies, of Mission Bands, Baby Bands, and subscribers to *Tidings*; an increase in Mission Band contributions; and an increase in all contributions for the Jubilee year which would bring the total up to \$50,000 for that year, this amount to include the Jubilee funds for the three years.

2. In the Foreign Mission department the objects to be attained were a Golden Jubilee Building Fund for India and Bolivia, and seven new lady missionaries, two to be medical missionaries, and two trained nurses.

3. In the department of Home Missions the undertaking of some definite home mission work was approved. It was subsequently decided that this should include Work among foreigners in New Brunswick, and among colored people and others in Nova Scotia.

The Jubilee Committee was authorised to prepare literature for free distribution in order to bring the campaign before the constituency of the Union. Attractive cards and leaflets, announcing the three year campaign and calling upon our Baptist women throughout the Maritime Provinces to enlist, were provided, and at the annual convention held in Fredericton in October, 1917, this literature was put into circulation and the three-year campaign inaugurated. At the meeting of the Executive in January 1918, the Jubilee Committee submitted the draft of a leaflet for distribution among the W.M.A. Societies in the interests of the Jubilee Campaign. This leaflet contained definite Jubilee objectives for the year 1917-18; also a simple but most effective plan for extra giving which had been prepared by the General Treasurer, and a pledge to be used in connection with the plan. This was approved, and by order of Executive some eight or ten thousand

were printed and distributed among the societies. The response on the part of our women to the call to advance, and the enthusiasm with which they adopted the plan for giving were most gratifying; and the financial returns at the end of the year showed that \$7,306.25 had been contributed for Jubilee work, while the giving for regular work had been slightly increased.

The second year of the Jubilee Campaign began somewhat inauspiciously, inasmuch as there was no annual convention, owing to war conditions; and the prevalence of influenza necessitated a delay in holding the annual meeting of the Executive when the necessary business of the Union was to be transacted.

The special features of the Jubilee work for the year were the issuing of attractive pledge cards, containing the Jubilee objectives for the year and the plan and pledge for extra giving which had proved so effective the preceding year; also a series of articles in the U.B.W.M.U. column of the Maritime Baptist, contributed by members of the Jubilee Committee and others, by which the Campaign was kept constantly before our constituency. A Jubilee Rally Week for the Mission Bands was another factor in the success of the year's campaign, the financial results of which amounted to \$11,758.95, making a total for the two years of \$19,065.20.

The third and last was the crowning year of the campaign. Pledge cards, with the plan of giving and the Jubilee objectives for the year were again provided for the use of the societies; and in preparation for Easter a "Jubileegram" was prepared and printed, calling for special effort and special prayer during the remaining months of the campaign. Seven thousand copies of these were sent to the Aid Societies for free distribution, and no doubt helped to bring

about the splendid response which the record of the year revealed.

Like most campaigns this one has had it's failures as well as its successes; but it's close marks a notable advance in the history of the U.B.W.M. Union.

New Societies organized, a quickening of interest in the work of the Mission Bands, a decided advance in Baby Band work, and a new World Wide Guild branch successfully launched are some of the results on the home side of the work; and to these may be added the remarkable increase in giving which brought the amount of the Jubilee fund up to 36,-275.99 for the three years of the campaign, while the contributions for regular work showed a continual increase from year to year.

Three new missionaries sent to India and one to Bolivia, with another under appointment for India, give cause for rejoicing and thanksgiving; and the spirit of confidence shown in the expressed desire for new objectives to work for augurs well for the future of the work.

It is impossible to say how nearly the objective of ten thousand intercessors has been reached, but it is surely true that such wonderful results could not have been attained apart from much prayer and intercession.

May these become increasingly potent factors in the work of the U.B.W.M.U. as the years come and go.

The Golden Jubilee of the United Baptist Woman's Missionary Union was observed on October 12th to 14th, 1920, when representatives of W.M.A Societies, World Wide Guild Chapters, Mission Bands and Baby Bands met in Annual Convention in the Main St. Baptist Church, St. John, N.B.

The gathering was a notable one in many re-

spects. The enrollment of delegates and visitors was the largest in the history of the Union, over four hundred being in attendance from all over the Maritime Provinces.

The presence of an unusual number of distinguished visitors as speakers made the occasion one of special interest. These included Madame Therrien, of Grand Ligne, Que.; Mrs. Albert Matthews, president of the Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario West; Mrs. Henry W. Peabody, one of the foremost leaders in missionary work among the Baptist women of the United States; Dr. F. W. Patterson, superintendent of Baptist Missions in Western Canada, and Rev. H. E. Stillwell of Toronto, General Secretary of the Canadian Baptist Foreign Mission Board.

The large number of missionaries present was another inspiring feature of the convention. There were present Mr. and Mrs. C. Andinning, Miss Flora Clarke and Miss Clara Mason, all on furlough from India; Rev. Johnson Turnbull, of Bolivia, S.A.; Mrs. Hill, of the Congo Mission, Africa; Miss Laura Bain, missionary elect to India, and Rev. Ernest Armstrong of Burma, a welcome guest for his mother's sake.

Another cause for rejoicing was the note of triumph in the reports for the year, especially in the financial report, which showed that we had more than reached the goal set before us, the receipts for the year totaling 56,577.39, and the grand total, including balance from the preceding year, amounting to the unprecedented sum of 83,789.35, of which amount 36,275.99 was the Jubilee fund.

On the evening of Tuesday, Oct. 12th, the Jubilee Convention opened with a public meeting, when the large auditorium of the church was filled to capacity.

The first public act of the occasion was a recog-

nition of the goodness of God in a prayer of invocation and thanksgiving by Miss M. E. Hume.

The Hymn "The Year of Jubilee is come" was sung by choir and congregation, and a scripture selection was read by Mrs. Ida Crandall, a former officer of the Union, but now of Vancouver, B.C. Prayer was offered by Miss Flora Clarke, of India.

An address of welcome by Mrs. E. M. Sipprell was happily responded to by Mrs. F. H. Beals, of Lawrencetown, N.S. Mrs. Albert Matthews, of Toronto, brought greetings from the Canadian Baptist Foreign Mission Band, of which she is a member; and from the W.B.F.M. Society of Ontario West of which she is president; and a telegram of greeting and congratulation from the Baptist Women's Board of British Columbia was read.

The address of the evening was given by Mrs. Henry W. Peabody, the guest of honor, and was most appropriate to the occasion. Mrs. Peabody's subject was "Woman and the Kingdom." Referring to many of the women of the Bible she showed that God intended women to be home makers, to be teachers, especially of little children, and to take care of sick people; these are the very things our lady missionaries are doing in non-Christian lands to day, and this is in large measure the work God has given women to do in bringing in the kingdom.

Special music, consisting of a solo and a duet added much to the enjoyment of the meeting which was brought to a close with the Benediction by the pastor, Dr. Hutchinson.

The devotional services preceding the day sessions of the convention, and led by our missionaries, were seasons of spiritual refreshing and helpfulness, giving a fitting key-note to the exercises that were to follow.

At 10 a.m. on Wednesday the president declared the Convention opened for business, and after the

reading of the rules of order, and appointment of committees, the visitors and missionaries present were invited to the platform and introduced to the convention.

Touching reference was made to the absence of the honorary president, Mrs. J. W. Manning, and a motion that a message of greeting and sympathy be sent her from Convention was unanimously carried by a rising vote. A telegram of greetings from the Women's Convention of Eastern Ontario and Quebec, in session at Quebec, was received with pleasure, and a message of appreciation and greeting was ordered sent to the sisters in Convention at Quebec.

The morning and afternoon sessions of Wednesday included reports of the Recording Secretary, giving details of the work of the Executive during the year; of the Mission Band Treasurer, showing an encouraging increase in the giving of the Mission Bands; of the General Treasurer revealing the high-water mark that had been reached, and followed by a prayer of thanksgiving to God; of the Provincial Secretaries, each sounding a note of joy over the achievements of the year; of the Corresponding Secretary, giving most interesting glimpses of the work and need on our foreign fields; of the Mission Band Superintendents, and, for the first time, of the Superintendent of the Canadian Branch of the World Wide Guild, two most important branches of the work of the U.B.W.M.U.

An address by Mrs. Matthews on "Thoughts, Ideals and Visions" emphasized the importance of these things in character and in service for Christ.

Mrs. Peabody spoke in the morning session on "The Woman Who does not Know," showing the necessity of finding points of contact with different types of women, and the importance of right early impressions; and in the afternoon gave her closing

address on the subject of "A New World," in which she emphasized the wonderful opportunity presented to the young people of today, the fact that upon them will rest the responsibility of solving many of the problems of this new era, as the years come and go, and the necessity that they should know the conditions of the non-Christian world and be impressed with the truth that nothing but the gospel of Jesus Christ can give relief, and bring peace, harmony and happiness to the nations.

The presence of Mrs. Peabody, and her helpful addresses, contributed greatly to the interest of the Convention, and helped to make it worthy of the great Jubilee occasion.

A great audience, overflowing into the vestry, greeted the leaders and speakers at the Wednesday evening session. The work and need of the Grand Ligne Mission was most ably presented in an address by Madame Therrien, of Feller Institute, Grand Ligne, always a welcome guest at our conventions.

It seemed a happy coincidence that Rev. Ernest Armstrong, son of Mrs. Maria Norris Armstrong, the founder of our work, should be on furlough from Burma, and visiting in the Maritime Provinces just at this time. It was a privilege to welcome him to the Jubilee Convention, and to hear him in a brief address on Wednesday evening. The closing address of this session was by Rev. H. E. Stillwell, Secretary of the Canadian Baptist Foreign Mission Board. It was an illuminating address, illustrated by many views of our mission fields in India and Bolivia, and giving much information regarding the work and workers. This brought the first day of the Jubilee to a close.

The second day opened with a memorial service led by Mrs. Mary Smith; this service was a loving tribute to those who during the year had been called

from the ranks of our workers to higher service in the presence of the King.

The program for the day included reports of the Bureau of Literature and of "Tidings;" of the Home Mission Committee, voicing the appeals for more laborers which are coming from all parts of our land; and of the Baby Band Superintendents, telling of increasing interest and growth in this department of work.

The annual election of officers formed a part of the business of the day. Addresses by Miss Flora Clarke and Miss Clara Mason revealed something of the life and work of our missionaries in India; and the consecration service, led by Miss Hume, sounded a note of warning and danger in view of the strong currents of worldliness which are drawing so many professing Christians, especially young people, away from the church and Christian service.

The closing session on Thursday evening, was characterized by the same large attendance and deep interest which had been manifested throughout the entire convention. It was a unique occasion, when the East, the West and the South were all represented on the platform. The Home Mission interests of Western Canada were presented by Dr. F. W. Patterson, who told of the wonderful opportunities for Christian work, and the urgency of the present situation in that vast Canadian west.

For the first time in the history of the Union the Canadian Baptist mission field in Bolivia, S.A., was represented, in the person of Rev. Johnson Turnbull, who, though an Australian, was visiting Canada on his way back to Bolivia after furlough. He gave an earnest and interesting address on existing conditions and the work that is being done in that long-neglected field.

In a closing address, though the hour was late,

Miss Flora Clarke held her hearers spellbound as she told of transformations that had been wrought on our mission field in India through the wondrous power of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

The blessing of the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, was invoked in the benediction and the great Jubilee Convention was over. To God be all the Glory.

N. C. HUTCHINSON.

